

Evacuation & Sheltering

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Pre-Katrina Background

- Evacuation Planning
 - Incident & region specific
 - At-risk based
 - Focused on single mode of transportation
 - 48 hour lead-time decision model – mobilization of NG

Pre-Katrina Background

- Shelter Planning
 - Local government responsibility
 - Inland host sheltering reliant on local resources
 - Real concerns surrounding capacity, capability, priorities, impact on schools, \$ reimbursement, loss of revenue

Evacuation & Shelter Planning Post-Katrina Reviews

- Internal capability review for Gov & SPS
- Phase 1 - National Plan Review, Self-assessment
- FY06 HS Grant Stakeholders' Program & Capability Review
- Post-Katrina Stakeholders' Meeting
- Phase 2, National Plan Review Peer Team Review

Evacuation Planning Post-Katrina Impact

- Volume
 - At-Risk evacuees - maximum of 400K.
 - Spontaneous Evacuees - as many as 1 million
 - Clearance time increases with more evacuees.
- Need to reevaluate
 - Evacuation Plan
 - Gasoline Supplies
 - Motorist Assistance
 - Message to Public
 - Sheltering Needs

Shelter Planning

Post-Katrina Impact

- Volume
 - Expect to shelter 10% of evacuees (40K)
 - Could see as many as 100K in shelters.
- Need to reevaluate
 - Host Sheltering
 - Refuges of Last Resort
 - Super Shelters
 - Special Needs Populations Shelters & Transportation
 - Companion Animal Shelter

Shelter Planning

Post-Katrina Impact

- Define Terms
 - Special Needs Populations
 - At-risk populations
- Clarify roles & responsibilities especially in regard to host, special needs and companion animal sheltering
 - State agencies
 - NGOs
 - Local jurisdictions
- Address issues of shelter capacity & capability
 - Inland host shelters
 - Super-shelters
 - Special needs shelters
 - Companion animal shelters
 - Out-of-state evacuees

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Post-Katrina Impact

- Address local issues pertaining to host shelters
 - client priority
 - recovery of costs – reimbursement
 - impact on local services - schools
 - loss of revenue
- Address communication & coordination between state, cooperating jurisdictions and shelters.
- Develop statewide public education
- Develop & maintain resource database, contracts & MOUs
- Develop appropriate pre-event contracts/MOUs

Shelter Planning Post-Katrina Actions

Established a Task Force with representation from:

Local Government

City of Chesapeake
Chesterfield County
City of Norfolk
York County

NGOs

ARC
VVOAD

State Agencies

VDEM
VDOT
VDRPT
VDH
DSS

Evacuation Planning Task-Force Actions

- Reviewed evacuation enhancements for this hurricane season - VDOT
- Explored use of multiple modes of transportation for evacuation – DRPT & City of Norfolk
 - Cont. discussions w/ Norfolk Southern & AmTrak and other mass transit companies
- Expanding scope to statewide & all-hazards

Shelter Planning

Task-Force Actions

- Host Shelters
 - Defining roles and responsibilities – VDEM, DSS, ARC, VVOAD
 - Identifying potential state shelter facilities and local shelter facilities for overflow – VDEM
- Special Needs Shelters
 - SpN definitions local SpN Sheltering Plan - VDH